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May 18, 2006

IN REPLY PLEASE
REFER TO FILE: **LD-4**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
VALENCIA BRIDGE AND MAJOR THOROUGHFARE CONSTRUCTION FEE
DISTRICT FUND (V51)
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
4 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve the enclosed Appropriation Adjustment for the Valencia Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Construction Fee District Fund (V51) Fiscal Year 2005-06 budget in order to transfer funds to the City of Santa Clarita for the construction of a portion of the Cross Valley Connector Gap closure project, a Bridge and Major Thoroughfare Construction Fee District road improvement project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In 1999, the Valencia Bridge and Major Thoroughfare (B&T) Construction Fee District was established by your Board to provide funding for the improvement of roadway facilities needed to accommodate the additional traffic anticipated from new private developments within the boundaries of the District.

The District encompasses areas in the City of Santa Clarita and the unincorporated County. On May 1, 1990, your Board adopted a Cooperative Agreement between the County and the City. The Agreement provides for the City and County to work together on all District matters and set up separate interest earning accounts for fees collected

by each agency. The Agreement also allows the City and County to allocate District funds collected within their respective jurisdictions to the other jurisdiction to construct District projects.

In order to facilitate the project, The Newhall Land and Farming Company advanced \$24.2 million in B&T fees for their Westcreek development project in the unincorporated County area. At the request of the City and in order to move this crucial District improvement project forward, the County proposes to transfer \$20.5 million from the County's District Fund to the City's District Fund. This action will allow the County to transfer \$20.5 million of the money received from The Newhall Land and Farming Company to the City for immediate use to build the Cross Valley Connector project. The money will be used by the City to construct the Cross Valley Connector (Newhall Ranch Road) gap closure from Copperhill Drive to State Route 126, thereby providing a crucial transportation link for residents of the Santa Clarita Valley. The City has prepared plans, specifications, and cost estimates and has acquired the necessary right of way to construct the improvement.

Based on trends from previous years and estimates of expected revenue, the Fiscal Year 2005-06 budget for the Valencia District was set at \$9.6 million. Budget projections for B&T Districts are difficult to predict and may vary significantly since the County has no control over the private development project schedule and business decisions that result in the revenue collection.

Approval of the proposed Appropriation Adjustment will enable the County to partner with the City and The Newhall Land and Farming Company to construct this important project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as the developer fees provide funds to construct roads in an effective manner. It also satisfies the goal of Service Excellence by constructing road improvements to provide traffic mitigation that improves the quality of life in the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This Appropriation Adjustment will increase the Services and Supplies appropriation by \$15,327,000, which is financed by unanticipated revenue received from The Newhall Land and Farming Company. There will be no impact on the County's General Fund as a result of the fund transfer.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Appropriation Adjustment is necessary to allow for the transfer of funds to the City to construct the Cross Valley Connector gap closure project.

IMPACT OF CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of this Appropriation Adjustment will result in no impact on current services.

CONCLUSION

Please return two adopted copies of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

NO. 690

May 16, 2006

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO
ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR

ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

FISCAL YEAR 2005-06
4-VOTE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

SOURCESUSES

Charges for Services - Other (9461)
PW - V51 - 47000 - 9461 - \$15,327,000

Services and Supplies (2000)
PW - V51 - 47000 - 2000 - \$15,327,000

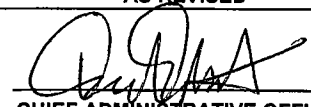
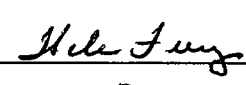
JUSTIFICATION

This adjustment is required to transfer funds to the City of Santa Clarita to finance the Cross Valley Connector Gap closure project. Unanticipated funds were received from the Newhall Land and Farming Company when their tract was recorded this fiscal year.

(Control No. 06-20)


DONALD L. WOLFE, Director

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR---	ACTION	APPROVED AS REQUESTED	AS REVISED
✓ RECOMMENDATION		MAY 16, 2006	 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BY 		APPROVED (AS REVISED): BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	
NO. 361	5-16-2006	BY	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK